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Applicant: George Eustace Joannou
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RESPONSE

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Sir:

The following remarks are submitted in response to the March 23, 2004 official action.

The Examiner rejected claims 1 and 7-9 under 35 U. S. C. § 112, second paragraph. The Examiner conceded that the specification was enabling for the compound, but took the position that the specification is not enabling for pharmaceutically acceptable salts or prodrugs thereof. In support of her position, the Examiner cited In re Wands. As the Examiner has separately analyzed the specification against each point enumerated in In re Wands, Applicant has similarly considered each point and comments as set forth below.

1. The nature of the invention is fundamentally the novel compounds I and II of claim 1. Pharmaceutical compositions of those novel compounds and pharmaceutically acceptable salts and prodrugs thereof are included in claim 1.

2004 official action, to Deposit Account 10-0435 with reference to Applicant's undersigned counsel's file 31200-69244. A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,



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